A World of Opportunities

St Peter's C of E Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has once again been another amazing year of learning at St Peter's C of E Primary and I want to thank each and every member of our school community; pupils, staff, parents and carers, friends, volunteers and helpers for enabling our school to continue to flourish.

As headteacher of the school I could not be more proud of the pupils and their achievements, some of which are highlighted in our "A World of Opportunities" from 2025-2026, which will be sent out on Monday.

Today you will receive your child's annual report via email. These are scheduled to go out across the course of the day, but due to the volume of emails you may experience slight delays. Parents and Carers in Y1 (Phonics Screening Check), Y2 (Pupils resitting Phonics Screening Check), Y4 (Multiplication Tables Check) and Y6 (KS2 SATs outcomes) will also receive a separate email with the outcomes of these statutory checks and tests. Teachers will be on site on Monday 20th July between 3:30pm - 4:30pm for any parent / carer who wishes to discuss their child's report with the class teacher. Access will be via Ellfield Close only.

If I do not get the opportunity to see you in person at the family picnic, thank you for your continued support, have a lovely Summer holiday with your family and we look forward to seeing you after the summer break ready for T1 of the new academic year on Monday 7th September 2026!

Have a great summer.

Matt Stannard
Headteacher

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Girls Football Champions:

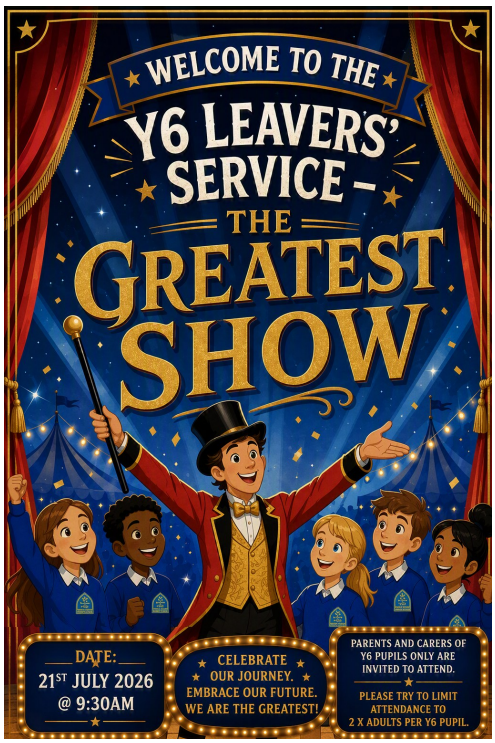
Although the World Cup didn't quite make it home (another year of football hope and disappointment), the girls football team certainly did bring it home! Defending our Bristol Girls Football Cup title and once again being crowned 2026 Champions.

That's how you bring it home St Peter's, we are all super proud of your achievements.

Family Picnic:

The family picnic is being held on Tuesday 21st July. Pupils can be collected from their classroom doors between 12:15pm - 12:30pm, and you will need to sign your child out from the classroom. All access will be from Ellfield Close. Any pupils remaining at 12:30pm will be brought onto the field for the family picnic by the class teacher. There will be an ice cream van on site for any parents and carers who fancy buying an ice cream.

Parents and Carers are permitted to leave with pupils between 1:15-1:30pm. Red letters are not in operation during the early collection time and any pupils staying for the afternoon will return to class at 1:30pm for collection at the end of the normal school day.



It really would be lovely to see as many of you there to celebrate the end of another successful year of learning at St Peter's C of E Primary.

Y6 Leavers Service:

The pupils all watched the Y6 Leavers Service dress rehearsal today. I am saving myself for Tuesday and look forward to watching this with Parents and Carers of Y6 pupils on Tuesday morning.

Reading Volunteers:

As we come to the end of the year, we would like to say a huge thank you to all of our reading volunteers who regularly come into school to hear children read. You have made a huge difference and the children love seeing you and reading to you!

Many thanks to Pete Jennings, Ann-Marie Payne, Hollie Foster, Bill Wood, Emma Flowers, Naima Mazouz, Linda Lewis, Bev Lockyer, Jen Richards, Claire Stanley, Meg Hollis, Stacey Walsh & Jessica Coulson.

If you would like to volunteer in school to hear readers, please contact Mrs Sarah Watts or Mr Cam MacDonald via the school office in September.

SPORTS DAYS 2026

Nursery winners: **Everyone!**
Reception winners: **Banksy**
Years 1 and 2 winners: **Banksy**
Years 3 and 4 winners: **Baker**
Years 5 and 6 winners: **Baker** and **Blackbeard**

What a fantastic sports week for our school! I have been so impressed with the level of skill demonstrated across all of our events and it was also great to see huge participation across all of our year groups.

St. Peter's is known as a flag ship school in South Bristol for sports and over the last four years, we have hit the podium and won at regional events across the south-west including the West of England athletics Quad Kids champions in 2024 and 2025 and also second place finishes in the indoor athletics regionals in 2025 and 2026.

From watching the level of sport shown this year, I am sure we will continue to compete at regional events for many years to come.

Signing off for another year,

Mr B MacDonald, Miss Brooks and the Games Makers

SPORTS

St. Peter's 5-2 Cheddar Grove

St. Peter's travelled to Cheddar Grove for a final league game of the season. This was also a chance to say thank you and goodbye to many of our year 6's who will be moving to secondary schools after the summer. We signed off with an impressive 5-2 win after goals from Harrison, Callie, Bobby and Eliza!

SEMI-FINAL Girls Cup St. Peter's 7-0 Elmlea

We hosted Elmlea in the semi final of the girls cup. With a terrific turnout from parents/carers, everyone was behind the girls. We sealed the win with a 7-0 scoreline.

FINAL: St. Peter's 8-0 Southville

For the second year running, our team of girls have won the Bristol FA Girl's Cup. This marks the end of an era as this group of girls have been playing as a team for over 3 years and will end their time as the most successful girls team we have ever had. After a dominant display in the semi finals vs Elmlea, out team of girls travelled to Clifton College for the final of the Bristol FA girls' cup. They faced Southville, who have been our closest rivals this year. After 40 minutes of quality football our team came away with the silverware for the second successive season with an 8-0 scoreline. Well done, girls!

NEWS FROM THE LIGHTHOUSE

Incredible Kids provide a safe place for families with young people who have additional needs to come together and spend quality time as a family, in the hope this will provide a short break from the pressures of family life. Incredible Kids run inclusive play sessions for children and young people between the ages of 0 up to 25 with additional needs and disabilities and their families. Parent carers and siblings are welcome at all of the sessions. Again, more information is available on their website here: Our centre sessions - Disability events - incrediblekids.org.uk. These sessions are held at The Vench in Lockleaze, where groups run on the weekends, school holidays and after school and include quiet sessions and ones for new families. All of the information, including the membership system can be found on their website.

Imperial Sports Ground in South Bristol have a new sensory room called Super Sense . They run lots of different sessions Monday – Friday, aimed at children and young people with additional needs, up to the age of 18. Sessions change weekly and include after school sessions, ones for children with limited mobility, quiet sessions and ones that don't mind being in a loud environment and around others. Numbers are limited to 15 per session and children need to be accompanied by an adult. Sessions cost from £3.50 per hour and can be booked online, siblings are welcome. Have a look at their website, here: Sensory room at Imperial Sports Ground - A sanctuary for SEND children.

Bristol Family Cycling Centre in the Hengrove area offering regular learn to ride, open and Disability sessions, bikeability training, Children's cycle coaching and skills sessions and bike maintenance sessions. They have a wide range of adapted bikes and trikes suitable for all and there is a timetable of sessions online: Bristol Family Cycling Centre - Better By Bike. The sessions are held on an old athletics track in a really safe environment with limited numbers, they are open Monday – Saturday 10-4pm, telephone: 01275 832800.

Majestic Gymnastics – SEN Classes and Stay & Play Sessions: sessions cater for children with SEN and additional needs and include the use of different gymnastics circuits & take place when the gym is quieter. Spaces must be prebooked online. The stay and play sessions run both in term time and school holidays, but days and times may differ so please check the website beforehand: Majestic Gymnastics.

The Special Friends Club is a charity organising activities in the school holidays and at weekends for families with disabled children and young people from 3 to 25 years old residing in Bristol and South Gloucestershire. The purpose of the club is for the whole family to attend activities together including siblings, enabling them to make connections, share experiences with other families and therefore feel less isolated. offer a wide range of activities - e.g., cinema, swimming, cycling, bowling, visits to animal and adventure parks, trips to the theatre, visits to nature parks, etc. - as well as subsidised weekends away a couple of times a year to holiday parks. Bristol families are welcome to apply - an application form is available to download on our website: http://specialfriendsclub.org.uk/join-us/

Sensory walks - Sensory Walks | Sense, for people with complex disabilities: Sensory walks allow you to use your senses to connect with your surroundings whilst you stay active. We've partnered with Ordnance Survey to help you find sensory walking routes, as well as developed resources and training to support you to use your senses to connect with nature.

The walks are designed for people with complex disabilities, but can be enjoyed by anyone. You can go alone or in a group, you don't need any specialist equipment and the walks can be any length you like. You can go on foot, use a wheelchair or walker – sensory walks are inclusive for all.

Nursery—Ducklings

This week we really enjoyed our trips to the park and our teddy bears picnic. Thank you if you managed to accompany us. Well done to all the Ducklings for a fantastic Sports Day. The Nursery team were very proud of your performances.

We have loved teaching Ducklings this year. They have been super classes, and we will miss them all. Thank you for your support in helping them progress. We hope the children enjoy their new Reception classes and that you have a fabulous summer.

The Nursery Team

Reception—Kookaburras and Robins

This fortnight we have enjoyed making our own aquarium in the classroom, using our information books to draw the many sea creatures we have enjoyed learning about this term. In literacy, we made a story map of Dear Zoo and innovated our own story- changing the setting from a zoo to an aquarium and the zoo animals to sea creatures! This is something we will continue to do in Year 1 as part of Talk for Writing.

In Maths we have been busy using our positional language to describe where objects are (in front, behind, under, on top of, next to) and we have also been using and making our own maps. We had a lovely time using the class map to find the teachers missing treasure!

As part of our end of year celebrations, on Monday we enjoyed an animal encounter where we got to meet a tortoise, a corn snake, a hamster, some millipedes, stick insects and snails! We had lots of questions and were very patient and calm waiting for our turn.

On Tuesday this week we got to enjoy a session at soft play, we had so much fun getting all of our energy out—all of our adults were very proud of us as we showed our marvellous manners to the staff at soft play.

PE Kit and wellies

Please can you ensure that you take your child's PE kit home for the summer and their wellies. These are on the welly racks that are just around the corner of Robins class.

Year 1 home learning

Home learning for children to complete in preparation for Year 1 has been emailed to you. Any problems with this please can you contact your current class teacher.

Thank you

Please can we take this opportunity to say a massive thank you for all your support with your child's learning this year. It has been a pleasure to teach every single one of them and we know that they are going to have an exciting and successful Year 1.

Have a lovely summer!

Best wishes from the Reception team

Y1— Doves and Kingfishers

We have had a wonderful year and have been writing about our memories of the year.

We have really had some magical experiences, including visiting the church, visits from Santa and the Easter Bunny, celebrating World Book Day, visit to Slimbridge, and a competitive sports day (now time for a rest!).

In maths we have been learning about time and explored measuring time in seconds, minutes and hours. We learnt about the hands of the clock and what they do. We read o'clock and half past times! In science we labelled the seasons taking special care to order them correctly. We hope you all received the voucher to visit Slimbridge with your family over the summer for free as a result of becoming a Guardian of the Wild!

Thank you for all of your support with reading at home and watching the phonics videos as part of homework. We are very proud of how much progress children have made with reading this year.

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for such a fun year, and a big shout out to our parent/carer helpers!

We really hope you all have a fun and safe summer holiday and wish all of the children the best for year 2.

We hope you have a wonderful summer break!
Year 1 Team

Y2— Owls and Kestrels

What a year. We can't believe how quickly it has gone and we have loved every minute of it - an adventure, start to finish.

A huge thank you to everybody who has helped year two this year, whether you volunteered on a trip, brought an ice-pop, read with your child at home or just gave your teacher a big smile in the mornings. It has all helped to make the year run smoothly.

From learning about and reenacting the Great Fire of London, designing and baking our own pizza, studying the huge continent of Africa and being curious at We the Curious. It has been a pleasure to help the children to grow, develop confidence and find answers to the world around them.

Sports' Day was fun and all who took part had a great time. Once again thank you for your support and flexibility about the date changes. We are sure that all children will be doing endless sports over the summer and ready for PE lessons in year 3.

All exercise books have now been sent home. Could you now please bring back any reading books that belong to the school, as we will need them in the infant building for next year.

On Tuesday we will be having a water fight please arrive in non-school uniform with uniform in your bags to get changed into. We have water pistols in school so please leave yours in your gardens.

Thanks once again for all your support and we feel like the children and ready to move on and wish them luck in year three, they will be missed.

All the best,
The Year 2 Team

Y3— Pelicans and Parrots

What an end to the term year 3 have had. We have loved teaching your children and we hope they have had a fabulous year.

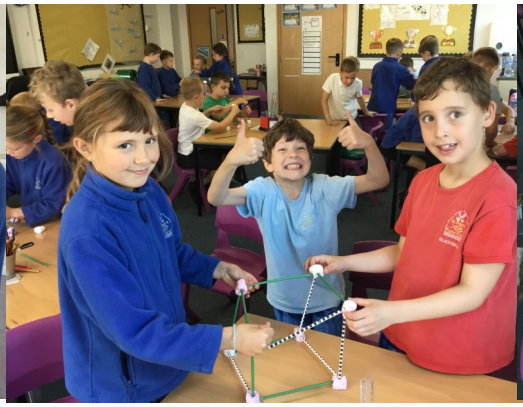
Year 3 were superb on their sports day and blew us away with their races, handovers and their enthusiasm for each event. We particularly enjoyed the water race with everyone taking part. You definitely got your steps in on that day!

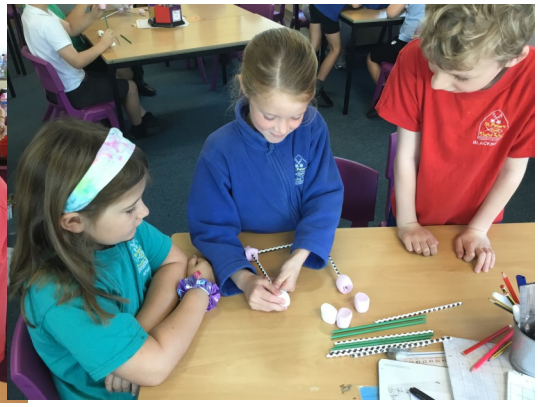
Below are some snaps from our last maths lesson on shape where we looked at edges, faces and vertices of 3D shapes.

Reminder: Year 3 have their year group reward on Monday 20th July. We are going to be watching The Wild Robot with popcorn and hot chocolate.

We hope you have a fun and exciting break over the summer holidays and look forward to seeing you around school in September.

Mr MacDonald, Mrs Torrington and Mrs Hacker





Y4— Penguins and Puffins

As we come to the end of a fantastic year in Year 4, we would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you for all of your support throughout the year. It has been a pleasure getting to know each and every child, and we are incredibly proud of the progress they have made both academically and personally. They have grown in confidence, resilience and independence, and it has been wonderful to watch them develop into enthusiastic learners who are ready for the exciting challenges of Year 5.

This year has been full of memorable experiences. Some of our highlights have included our Meet the Medic workshop, where the children learned about the important role of healthcare professionals and enjoyed taking part in practical activities, and our fantastic trip to Caerleon, which brought our history learning to life. We have also enjoyed a range of exciting science investigations, creative writing, practical maths lessons, class assemblies, themed days and many opportunities to work collaboratively throughout the year. Our recent shuffle-up mornings have also helped the children feel excited and prepared for the transition into their new classes.

Although the summer holidays are a well-deserved break, we would encourage the children to continue reading regularly and practicing their times tables over the holidays. Even a small amount of practice each week will help them feel confident and ready to begin Year 5 in September.

We also ended the final week of Year 4 with a bang today! The children had a real treat with a visit from Animals Interactive, where they had the opportunity to meet a variety of amazing animals, followed by a visit from the ice cream van to celebrate a fantastic year together. This was able to happen using the money we raised as a year group from our Cakes and Shakes – Well Done Year 4!

Finally, thank you once again for your kindness, encouragement and support throughout the year. We wish you and your families a wonderful, relaxing summer break, and we know the children will continue to thrive as they move into Year 5.

Best wishes,
Miss Elliott and Mr Mac

Y5— Flamingos and Emus

Year 5 have been fantastic this year. They have worked incredibly hard and learned so many new skills and topics across the curriculum. We are very proud of the progress they have made, particularly in their handwriting, arithmetic and vocabulary choices, all of which have improved significantly.

This week Emus Class represented the school brilliantly during their visit to Mendip Activity Centre. Their behaviour was exceptional throughout the trip, and they demonstrated excellent teamwork, resilience and maturity. They were a credit to both themselves and the school.

Year 5 have also enjoyed an exciting DT lesson, where they created their own designs and printed them onto T-shirts. It was wonderful to see their creativity, and they were delighted with the finished products.
Well done Year 5!

Miss Dineen & Mr Hearn

JACK'S FUNRAISER FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY

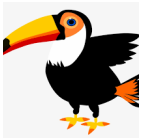
We want to say a huge well done to Jack for doing a sponsored walk in order to raise money for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society charity. He did a 9.2 mile walk on Saturday 27th June in 3.5 hours and raised an amazing £430 for the charity, his target was £150!

The just giving page is still open and will be for another week or so, if you could donate to this fantastic charity, I'm sure Jack and his family would be very grateful.

Well done Jack, we are very proud of you!

[Jon Appleford is fundraising for Multiple Sclerosis Society]

Y6— Toucans and Eagles



2025/26 TERM DATES

Term 6	Monday 1st June 2026 to Wednesday 22nd July 2026

School will be closed for the following INSET days:
Wednesday 22nd July 2026

2026/27 TERM DATES

Term 1	Thursday 3 September 2026 to Friday 23 October 2026
Term 2	Monday 2 November 2026 to Friday 18 December 2026
Term 3	Monday 4 January 2027 to Friday 12 February 2027
Term 4	Monday 22 February 2027 to Thursday 25 March 2027
Term 5	Monday 12 April 2027 to Friday 28 May 2027
Term 6	Monday 7 June 2027 Friday 23 July 2027

School will be closed for the following INSET days:

- Thursday 3rd September 2026
- Friday 4th September 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Thursday 25th March 2027
- Monday 28th June 2027

School will be closed for the following public holiday:
Monday 31st May 2027